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In re application of:

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OF THE HUMAN SGPL1 GENE AND PROTEIN FOR NEURODEGENERATIVE

DISEASES

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA. 22313-1450

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2.

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